Snippets

Donvale Primary School provides students with a positive educational experience to achieve their potential in a comprehensive learning environment that is caring, secure and stimulating.

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Principal’s Report

Mid year Parent-Teacher interviews are scheduled for the last week of Term 2. Parent-Teacher interviews are a valuable opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child’s progress and celebrate their achievements. By asking questions and finding out more about the information on your child’s report card, you have an opportunity to become more involved in your child's learning and give support where needed.

Some possible questions you may like to ask during the interview are:

- ‘What is my child particularly good at, and what are some things he could do better at?’
- ‘Are there things that my child is reluctant to try right now?’
- ‘Are there things he does that surprise you?’
- ‘Are there things we could be doing at home to help him get even more out of school?’
- ‘How is he getting along with his peers?’

The interviews will be held on:

- **Tuesday 25th June**: Years 3– 6 (2.10pm – 5.00pm)
- **Wednesday 26th June**: Foundation – Year 2 (2.10pm – 6.00pm)
  
  Foundation – Year 6 (6.40pm – 8.30pm)

As mentioned in last week’s Snippets, parents this year are asked to schedule their Parent / Teacher interview meetings via an online program. Information regarding how and when to do this has gone home today. Please ensure that you follow the simple instructions and arrange your meeting times as soon as possible. As stated on the information notice, the opportunity for you to schedule your meeting will be made available between the days and times of 9.00am Monday 17th June and Monday 24th June at 4.00pm only. If you have any questions regarding this process, please do not hesitate to contact us.
Our school was recently part of an Education Department Victorian wide school audit to determine our maintenance needs with regards to buildings, structure and fittings. The buildings audited were the Middle and Junior buildings, the Visual Arts and the General Purpose rooms. In all four buildings, the audit determined that there were several areas that fell below the acceptable threshold. As a result of these findings, our school was awarded a maintenance grant of $142,000. This money, I have now been informed, is to be only used to upgrade the Visual Arts and General Purpose buildings. Whilst I know we are quite desperate to upgrade the toilet blocks in the Middle and Junior buildings, unfortunately, we will not be able to do this with this round of money. It is wonderful that we will be able to provide both the Visual Arts and General Purpose rooms with a much needed facelift. At this point, I am not sure what this upgrade will be so am more than happy to accept feedback, ideas and suggestions from our parent community. I am also currently inviting builders to provide us with information and quotes on the work. With regards to the Middle and Junior block, the further good news is that we are in line for ‘Capital Works’ funding to be spent on these two buildings. At this stage, no one is able to tell me how much and when this money will be made available to us. I will most certainly keep our community informed on the state of play with all this.

**Lena Clark**

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**General**

BPAY is now available as well as other methods of payment. Letters and statements with reference numbers and details went home last week. Contact the office if you require any information about using BPay for fees and bulk billing. If using BPay to make a payment, the notice or remittance portion of the statement has to be sent into the office to advise us that a payment has been made using BPay and what is being paid.

**School Sores (Impetigo)**

Have had a report in the Senior Building. This is a highly contagious skin infection. It is easily passed on to family and friends, and spreads to other parts of the body. After a short incubation period, impetigo commonly starts:

- As a tiny patch of blisters around the face, nose or lips
- These blisters break and open to reveal raw, reddish-looking skin
- There may be a pus or clear liquid discharge
- As the skin dries, a flaky crust forms and sticks to the skin

Your child may develop a high temperature and swollen glands near the infected region. Impetigo usually gets better within 5 days. Children can return to school after treatment has started and the sores are completely covered with a watertight dressing.

**Hot Off The Press!**

**Congratulations To Our Senior Choir.** They performed this morning at the Melbourne Eistoddfod and got an Honourable mention which places them in the top 6 schools.

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**From The Sports Desk**

Level 5 and 6 children were involved in Inter School Sport last Thursday (Netball, Soccer and Tee-Ball). The remaining games will be completed on Thursday 20th June. Congratulations to the children for their enthusiasm, sense of fair play and commitment to the sport they were involved in. The children have been involved in training and development of their skills each Friday.

**Division Cross Country.** Congratulations and good luck to the following children who will compete in Division Cross Country next Tuesday. They are Ingrid B, Christian L, Jayden B and William L.

Congratulations to Billy Mc who has been selected to try out for the next level of trials for the Victorian Primary School Football team. Well done and good luck.

*Mr Pianta*
Basketball

LAST WEEK’S RESULTS.

We had 3 wins, and 2 losses. Well done to all players.

BIG CONGRATULATIONS to Tommy W, who scored his first points for the Dinosaurs back on the 25th May. Well Done Tommy

Also a big “shout out” to Kate B, who did a great job filling in for the Dreamers last weekend. Awesome effort Kate

NO GAMES THIS WEEKEND DUE TO QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY!!

Finals begin Saturday 15th June

REGISTRATIONS FOR WINTER SEASON 2013 ARE DUE

THIS FRIDAY 7TH JUNE

Player Profile

Gemma.G - Delights

1. How long have you been playing?
   I have been playing since grade one so 5 years.

2. What is your favourite subject at school?
   Art and music

3. What is your favourite food/drink?
   Pizza and fruit cup cordial

4. Where is your favourite place to holiday?
   I really want to go to Darwin I hope we’ll go next year.

5. What do you love doing as a family activity?
   Go to the beach and have a picnic.

Girls teams training at DiSC, Tue 3:45 to 4:45
Boys teams training in GP Room, Wed 3:45 to 4:45

Stacey Browne
Basketball_Snippets
CRE

In CRE the 5/6 students have started a new unit titled “Who can we trust?” This unit looks at the belief that God can be trusted in all circumstances. Elijah faced great challenges but God helped him. God was there with him when he was out of food, when he stood up for truth, when his life was in danger and when he was in despair.

This unit’s purpose is for students to learn that, as God was there to help Elijah, so God is ready to help people today. They will consider how they trust other people in their lives and will be encouraged to see God as trustworthy.

But you, the Lord God, are kind and merciful … and your love can always be trusted. Psalm 86:15

Have a great week!

Shirley Mantfield

In years 3 and 4 we are learning that Christians consider the Bible to be God’s Word which reveals God’s good news for the world and how people can know God and his love for them. Students are encouraged to see the Bible’s value and to treat it with respect.

This week we are talking about how the Bible was written by many authors over many centuries under God’s guidance and protection. The Bible is not just an ordinary book. It tells of God’s saving love in action in the world, culminating in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and Christians believe the Bible’s message is relevant today.

We will look at methods of locating specific biblical references as a means of making the Bible accessible to them.

Have a good week,

Judith Grayden

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OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

Dear Parents & Students,

This week children were busy using recycled materials to create wonderful works of art. Next week we will be going with Chinese theme where the children will be cooking and eating different Chinese food. Hope everybody enjoys the long weekend.

Program will run from 2:30 to 6pm on the last day of the term 2 (28/06/2013, Friday).

We value your input/ideas to make this program successful. Please feel free to add your comments to the Quality Improvement Plan sheet available next to the sign in/out sheet in the OSH room.

I can’t believe that we are nearly at the end of the term. Online bookings for Mitcham and Blackburn Holiday Program are open. To avoid last minute rush or disappointment book in the children in advance.

Please make sure all enrolment forms are up to date and all medical action plans have also been checked and changed or updated if needed.

Remember bookings can be made right up til 12:00 the midnight before, or you can book on the Day but there will be extra charge of $3.00 for bookings within 24 hours. If you're ever stuck and would like your child to attend OSH After School Care you can call me or leave a message on 0402 362 443 and I will get back to you.

Jagruti Shah
### Next Week’s Activities

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<td>Chinese hand Print Dragon &amp; Hama Beads</td>
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<td>Chinese blossoms &amp; Lord of the hoops</td>
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<td>Chinese Lettuce Cups &amp; Choosing order</td>
<td>Chinese fan &amp; Yoga (AASC)</td>
<td>Chinese lanterns &amp; Kid's movie</td>
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### Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443  
Coordinator: Jagruti  
Assistants: Caroline and Jennifer  
OSHCClub Head Office: 03 85649000

*All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.*

### Birthday Wishes To

**Celebrating from the 7th - 13th June**  

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**July School Holiday Programs:**

**RSPCA** - If you go crazy for cats, dote on dogs or want to have some fun with farm animals, then the RSPCA Junior Holiday Program is the place for you!  
**BULLEEN PLAZA** - Come and join in some interactive and educational fun with Reptile Encounters.  
**EXTEND** - Various locations.  
**ACTION INDOOR SPORTS RINGWOOD** - Come join the action indoor team.  
**OSHCARE 4 KIDS** - Location Doncaster Gardens Primary School
Parents Association

WOOLWORTHS
EARN AND LEARN

The school is participating in this great program. So when you shop at Woolworths, don’t forget to pick up your tokens. Tokens can be placed in the collection box in the office foyer.

THE MORE YOU COLLECT
THE MORE WE EARN

Entertainment Books

ONLY 1 LEFT

Cost per booklet is $65. Please see the office if you are interested.

Meal Deal Day

The next Meal Deal Day is planned for Wednesday 19th June.

Hot Dog, Potato Chips and Hot Chocolate or Juice.

All for a crazy total of $4.50

Order form coming home today

Music/Movie Trivia Night

Saturday 22nd June 2013 at 7:00pm

In the senior building

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!! and selling fast

$15 each

Tables of 10


(If you don’t have a table of ten we can set you up with a team)

Get your friends and family together and book your tickets now.
Before the end of term, the Parents Association will let you all know how much our fundraising efforts have raised for the school.

For those of you who enjoyed the pizza dinner prior to our screening of Wimpy Kid at the movie night, you may have noticed the new tables and chairs you were sitting at and on? Well these were purchased with fundraising profits. We also purchased a new large esky/cooler to keep our snags at a healthy temperature for all our future sausage sizzles. Our major focus or goal for our fundraising is to purchase air conditioning for our senior building. So thank you to all families for the efforts you make towards our fundraising.

**Coming in Term 2**

⇒ Bunning’s BBQ Fundraiser – Sat 13th July

Next scheduled P.A Meeting is **Monday 15th July** at 9am in the library. Everyone welcome even if you have never attended a meeting before.

Stacey Browne  P.A_Snippets
From The Students

Crazy Hair Day

On 29th of May the SRC arranged a crazy hair day. We are pleased to announce that we collected $260.50. The money we raised will go to The Help Charitable Trust but we are yet to decide which area it’s going to. The Help Charitable Trust is an organisation managed by Peter Keep (Mrs Keep’s husband) to assist the education of children in Africa. On behalf of the SRC we would like to thank everyone for wearing their most crazy hair and donating a gold coin donation.

By Elaheh 3/4MP Rep

Donvale Primary School “Rockola” performance.

The “Rockola” performance was fantastic. All the kids were laughing and having a great time. I, for one, loved it. It was humorous, exciting, and interactive. They encouraged kids to join along and dance to the wonderful music. It was extremely fun to see all the different types of music.

-Daniel

The concert was great. They showed us the history of music. It was both funny and educational. -Nic
Rock and roll

Yesterday the rock and roll incursion it was super fun, everyone had a blast. They talked about all the types of songs that they sang. They also told us where all there instruments came from and the style they dressed like in that period of time. Everybody danced and had lots of fun. They performed about 10 songs; jazz, country music and rap. Everyone had the best time ever. We thank them for giving us an amazing performance.

By Georgia L and Nikki A

LEADER NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Farm animals visit Donvale Primary School to raise awareness about animal welfare

TIMMY the sheep is leading the flock in the fight for animal rights.
The cheeky sheep was rescued from the side of the road when he was just one-week-old and was taken to Edgar's Mission Sanctuary in Willowmavin.

PICTURES: See the animals at Donvale Primary

Timmy shared a laugh with grade 5 student Jared, 10, during a recent visit to Donvale Primary School to help raise awareness about animal welfare issues.
Teacher Lashay Cartledge said the day wasn't just "warm and fuzzy". "Many topics were sensitively discussed, from making informed choices by reading product labels, to ways we could improve the lives of people and animals around us," she said.
Edgar's Mission was founded by Pam Ahern and provides lifelong care to more than 250 rescued animals.
THE LIFE AND NUMBERS OF FIBONACCI

Donvale Primary School

Who is Fibonacci? What are his famous numbers about? When did he live? What was his nationality? What is Pascal’s triangle? Why would I soak pine cones for you? What's a fractal? Where does a fern frond end? What's your chances? What's infinity? Where do I find these patterns? How do I work it out? Does it work in other ways? How can I use this new knowledge? Be a mathematician and have fun.

We teach you the new ideas and you explore how it works in practice.

WiseOnes Application for 3rd Term 2013
This program is available for all Grade 1 - Grade 6 children who have qualified for WiseOnes.


I wish to enrol my child in the unit "The Life and Numbers of Fibonacci" commencing week beginning Monday, 22nd July, 2013.

I give permission for a copy of this slip to be handed to the WiseOnes teacher.

Child's Name ____________________________ School: ____________________________

Date of Birth ____________________________ Class (2013) _________

Parents' Names ____________________________

Address ____________________________________________

Phone: BH ___________ AH ___________ Mobile ___________ Email: ____________________________

My child has already qualified for WiseOnes       YES/NO
I would like a free test for my child       YES/NO.
I would like my child to be tested with a fuller assessment to qualify for WiseOnes (assessment cost $200 inc GST).

Please send this slip and payment of $220.00 on Tuesday, 16th July, 2013. As we are a non-credit business, children will not be accepted into the program for the term unless the fees and enrolment form are returned by the above date.

If paying by cheque please make it payable to Donvale Primary School.

For further information please contact Pat Truscott on 9326 6441 or Mobile: 0407 313 657.